



Aylesbury Vale District Council

Duty to Co-operate Monitoring Factsheet 2013

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DUTY TO CO-OPERATE

The Localism Act introduced a formal duty for local authorities to co-operate with other local authorities and bodies in addressing the strategic (planning) issues which are relevant to their area. The duty requires ongoing, constructive and active engagement on the preparation of planning documents and related activities concerned with sustainable development and the use of land. The National Planning Policy Framework sets out that plans should be based on joint working and co-operation to address larger than local issues, and in particular co-operation with neighbouring authorities, authorities within the housing market area, public, voluntary and private sector organisations. This monitoring report must give details of actions that have been taken under the duty to co-operate.

AVDC has always worked closely with other authorities and organisations in the preparation of plans and planning policy documents, and will continue to do so. This includes regular participation in groups that span geographical areas and/or sectors of interest, such as the Buckinghamshire Planning Officers Group, the South East Midlands Local Economic Partnership, the Bucks and Thames Valley Local Economic Partnership, the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Local Nature Partnership, the Chilterns AONB Conservation Board, and the East West rail consortium (which also includes Network Rail and the Department for Transport). We continuously engage with Buckinghamshire County Council on strategic planning matters, particularly on matters related to transport, education, and minerals and waste. We engage with surrounding local authorities, both district and county. We actively engage with the town and parish councils within Aylesbury Vale, both in relation to the Local Plan process, but also in relation to neighbourhood planning issues. We liaise with other bodies that have responsibility for specific issues, such as the Environment Agency, English Heritage, Natural England, Highways Agency, Primary Care trust, hospital trusts, and mental health trust.

The table below explains in detail how AVDC (both member and officer) has co-operated with all duty to co-operate bodies in 2013.

Date	AVDC engagement with:	Subject Matter
2013		
03/01/2013	All adjoining local planning authorities and South Bucks District Council	Asking for comments on the final draft of the SHMA Validation Study
15/01/2013	Bucks Policy Officers Group	Policy Team leaders of all Bucks districts - Group meeting
21/01/2013	Chiltern District Council, GL Hearn planning consultants	AVDC and consultant responding to Chiltern's comments on the Aylesbury Vale SHMA Validation Study, Duty to Co-operate discussions meeting
22/01/2013	Oxfordshire County Council , WYG (transport consultants) to Oxfordshire County Council	Meeting to discuss the planned growth of Bicester in the Cherwell Local Plan and other development on the A41
29/01/2013	Wycombe District Council,, GL Hearn (planning consultant to	Discussion around Wycombe's comments on the Aylesbury Vale

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	AVDC)	SHMA Validation Study, Duty to Co-operate discussions meeting
30/01/2013	Dacorum Borough Council	Meeting to discuss duty to co-operate issues arising from both authorities emerging plans
07/02/2013	Buckinghamshire County Council and Jacobs (Transport Consultant) to the County Council	Meeting to discuss the Aylesbury Vale Infrastructure Delivery Plan and latest proposals on the Vale of Aylesbury Plan
13/02/2013	SEMLEP Infrastructure Planning Executive Board	SEMLEP authorities meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
20/02/2013	East West Rail Project Executive Board authorities	Meeting of the East West Rail Project Board authorities on current issues for the Consortium and constituent authorities.
27/02/2013	East West Rail Delivery Board authorities(Members)	Meeting of the East West Rail Delivery Board authorities on current issues for the Consortium and constituent authorities.
04/03/2013	SEMLEP Planning Delivery Infrastructure and Investment Group	SEMLEP authorities meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
08/03/2013	Bucks Planners Group	Buckinghamshire districts – Chief Planning Officers discussing current planning issues affecting all districts
12/03/2013	SEMLEP Infrastructure Planning	Group update meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
15/03/2013	Buckinghamshire County Council , Network Rail and Milton Keynes Council	Project update meeting regarding the future Winslow Railway Station as part of the future East-West Rail network.
20/03/2013	Dacorum Borough Council	Meeting to discuss duty to co-operate issues arising from both authorities emerging plans
27/03/2013	East West Rail Delivery Board authorities (officers and members)	Board meeting reporting on progress on the project/issues
04/04/2013	SEMLEP Infrastructure Planning (all SEMLEP authorities)	SEMLEP authorities meeting on relevant strategic infrastructure items affecting the LEP and constituent authorities.
04/04/2013	Buckinghamshire County Council and Jacobs (Transport Consultant to the County Council)	Meeting to discuss the Aylesbury Vale Infrastructure Delivery Plan and latest proposals on the Vale of Aylesbury Plan
09/04/2013	Luton Borough Council	Duty to Co-operate Meeting discussing planning issues relevant to both Councils including evidence bases and emerging plans
10/04/2013	Milton Keynes Council, Buckinghamshire County Council, Network Rail	Meeting regarding the future Winslow Railway Station on the East-West Rail route.

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18/04/2013	Milton Keynes Council and all authorities in the SEMLEP area	Discussion as the first formal stage of Duty to Co-operate engagement on Plan:MK facilitated by Planning Advisory Service
25/04/2013	East West Rail Consortium	Meeting on current issues for the Consortium and constituent authorities.
26/04/2013	SEMLEP Infrastructure Planning meeting (officers of all SEMLEP authorities)	SEMLEP authorities meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
30/04/2013	All districts in Buckinghamshire and Buckinghamshire County Council	Buckinghamshire Duty to Co-operate Workshop 1 of 3 by the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) to advise on Duty to Co-operate in the County and taking this forward in emerging plans
14/05/2013	SEMLEP Planning Delivery Infrastructure and Implementation Group	Meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
15/05/2013	HS2 Technical Officers (all Bucks districts and Buckinghamshire County Council)	Meeting to prepare for the next stage of work concerning the impact of this project on the County (should the HS2 Government proposals go ahead).
17/05/2013	East West Rail Winslow Station (BCC, Network Rail and Milton Keynes Council planning officer meeting)	Meeting regarding the future Winslow Railway Station on the East-West Rail route.
22/05/2013	East West Rail Project Executive Board	Board meeting of officers representing authorities and stakeholders on the route on current issues for the Consortium and constituent authorities.
23/05/2013	Officers and members representing all districts in Buckinghamshire	PAS meeting on Gypsies and Travellers to discuss the County-wide Accommodation Needs Assessment study being produced by ORS which will be taken forward in emerging plans
23/05/2013	SEMLEP Planners Forum	SEMLEP authorities meeting on current planning issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
23/05/2013	Officers from all districts in Buckinghamshire and Buckinghamshire County Council	Buckinghamshire Duty to Co-operate Workshop 1 of 3 by the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) to advise on Duty to Co-operate in the County and taking this forward in emerging plans
03/06/2013	South Oxfordshire	Duty to Co-operate discussions meeting on current planning issues affecting each district
05/06/2013	East West Rail Joint Delivery Board –Members of all districts and counties on the route	Board meeting to discuss delivery of the project on current issues for the Consortium and constituent authorities.
13/06/2013	Bucks Planners Group (Chief Planning Officer)	Meeting of all Chief Planning Officers within Buckinghamshire discussing current planning issues affecting all districts

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19/06/2013	Dacorum Borough Council	Meeting to discuss duty to co-operate issues arising from both authorities emerging plans
19/06/2013	All Councils on the HS2 route	HS2 Route Wide Planning Forum meeting on the latest stage of the Government proposals for HS2 and the response to these from authorities on the route.
26/06/2013	Buckinghamshire County Council and Land Use Consultants (planning consultant to Buckinghamshire County Council)	Meeting to discuss and comment on the Buckinghamshire Green Infrastructure Delivery Plan and agree the final draft of the study to be published by the County Council.
26/06/2013	Buckinghamshire County Council	East West Rail project meeting on current issues from the project.
27/06/2013	Officers and Members from all Buckinghamshire districts and Buckinghamshire County Council	Meeting on the Gypsy Traveller and Travelling Showpeople Needs Assessment – taking forward the final report including publishing the final report and taking the work into emerging planning policy documents.
04/07/2013	Officers and Members from all districts in Buckinghamshire and Buckinghamshire County Council	Buckinghamshire Duty to Co-operate Workshop 1 of 3 by the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) to advise on Duty to Co-operate in the County and taking this forward in emerging plans
10/07/2013	SEMLEP Planning Delivery Infrastructure and Investment Group	SEMLEP authorities meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
17/07/2013	HS2 Planning Forum –all authorities on the HS2 route	Meeting chaired by HS2 Ltd with relevant affected authorities to discuss the latest Government proposals and for authorities to discuss the impact this may have.
22/07/2013	East West Rail – All authorities on the route and Network Rail	Meeting to discuss the wider implications of development at Winslow Railway Station on the rest of the East West Rail route
31/07/2013	Dacorum Borough Council	Duty To Co-operate discussions including on housing provision
31/07/2013	East West Rail Project Executive Board	Meeting of the East West Rail Project Board authorities on current issues from the project.
09/08/2013	Cherwell District Council	Duty To Co-operate discussion meeting including around employment growth issues and transport on the A41 in both districts.
13/08/2013	Bucks Policy Officers Group	Policy Team leaders of all Bucks districts - Group meeting discussing current planning issues affecting all districts and progress on emerging plans

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21/08/2013	Dacorum Borough Council	Meeting to discuss duty to co-operate issues arising from both authorities emerging plans.
22/08/2013	SEMLEP Planners Forum	SEMLEP authorities meeting on current planning issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
05/09/2013	51m authorities (all Councils on the route – Members and Officers)	Group update meeting on the latest position on the HS2 project and current issues for the group and constituent authorities.
06/09/2013	Buckinghamshire County Council, Bucks Thames Valley LEP, National Trust, BBOWT, National Farmers Union	Buckinghamshire environmental and transport meeting regarding the Bernwood Opportunity Zone in the north of Aylesbury Vale identified in County-wide strategic green infrastructure evidence studies
09/09/2013	SEMLEP Planning Delivery Infrastructure and Implementation Group	Meeting of all SEMLEP authorities planning officers within the PDIIG on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
17/09/2013	Milton Keynes Council	DTC discussions and discussion around the draft Milton Keynes Strategic Housing Market Assessment to inform Plan MK
17/09/2013	Chiltern District Council	DTC discussions meeting and discussion around issues for the Chiltern Delivery DPD
20/09/2013	SEMLEP Infrastructure Planning meeting (officers of all SEMLEP authorities)	SEMLEP authorities meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
25/09/2013	Bucks Thames Valley LEP Infrastructure Sub Group	Group update/progress meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
26/09/2013	Buckinghamshire County Council and AVDC planning officers	HS2 infrastructure planning meeting on the latest position on the HS2 project and current issues affecting both authorities.
09/10/2013	Bucks Thames Valley LEP Infrastructure Sub Group	Group update/progress meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
10/10/2013	Milton Keynes Council, and all SEMLEP planning authorities	Meeting co-ordinated by the Planning Advisory Service for all SEMLEP authorities primarily to advise Milton Keynes Council on Duty to Co-operate with relevant authorities to inform Plan:MK
10/10/2013	Wycombe District Council	Meeting to discuss AVDC's comments on the initial draft of the Wycombe SHMA and other Duty To Co-operate issues discussions
16/10/2013	Dacorum Borough Council	Meeting to discuss Duty To Co-Operate issues arising from or affecting

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17/10/2013	Luton Borough Council and consultant to Luton Borough Council	Meeting to discuss AVDC's comments on the initial draft of the SHMA for Luton and Central Bedfordshire and other Duty To Co-operate issues discussions
25/10/2013	Bedford Borough Council	Discussion around DTC issues and housing markets including the Aylesbury Vale SHMA and the future SHMA for/including Bedford Borough
30/10/2013	Bucks Thames Valley LEP Infrastructure Sub Group	Group update/progress meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
30/10/2013	East West Rail Joint Delivery Board –Members of all districts and counties on the route	Board meeting to discuss delivery of the project on current issues for the Consortium and constituent authorities.
01/11/2013	Oxfordshire SHMA stakeholder event	Officer and member discussion on the methodology of the SHMA.
05/11/2013	HS2 Technical Officers (all Bucks districts and Buckinghamshire County Council)	Group update meeting on the latest position on the HS2 project
06/11/2013	Bucks Thames Valley LEP Infrastructure Sub Group	Group update/progress meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
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27/11/2013	Bucks Thames Valley LEP Infrastructure Sub Group	Group update/progress meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
04/12/2013	Bucks Thames Valley LEP Infrastructure Sub Group	Group update/progress meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
11/12/2013	Bucks Thames Valley LEP Infrastructure Sub Group	Group update/progress meeting on current strategic infrastructure issues for the LEP and constituent authorities.
16/12/2013	Central Bedfordshire Council	Duty to Co-operate discussions meeting on current planning issues affecting each district